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AMEMBASSY BEIRUT

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BEIRUT FOR RTDO

E.O. 1652: N/A TAGS: BEXP, SA

SUBJECT: BUILDING MATERIALS AND CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT EXHIBTION

REF: STATE 15358

- 1. HAVE NOT YET RECEIVED REPLY FROM RIYADH CONFERENCE CENTER AUTHORITIES TO FORMAL REQUEST FOR USE OF CENTER, BUT ON BASIS OF INFORMAL CONVERSATION DO NOT EXPECT THEM TO BE ENTHUSIASTIC, OR NECESSARILY WILLING TO PROVIDE "OPTION WITHOUT OBLIGATION". THEREFORE AGREE THAT MBM APPROACH MOST DESIRABLE.
- 2. HAVE DISCUSSED IDEA WITH A.A. ZAMIL, DEPUTY DIR. GEN. OF ISDC. ISDC ALREADY HAS PLANS FOR EXHIBITION HALL AT ITS NEW CENTER-TO-BE; BUT WOULD BE INTERESTED IN PROVIDING LAND AND FUNDING FOR BUILDING AT DAMMAM (DHAHRAN). HAVE INDENTIFIED ONE OR TWO POSSIBLE PRIVATE SITES IN RIYADH BUT HAVE NOT PURSUED THESE PENDING ARRIVAL OF MBM'S BOUTIN.
- 3. LETTER HAS BEEN SUBMITTED TO MINISTRY OF COMMERCE, REQUESTING FORMAL AUTHORIZATION FOR EXHIBITION. WHILE OFFICIAL REPLY MAY TAKE SOME TIME, EMBASSY IS COMPLETELY CONFIDENT THAT IT WILL BE FAVORABLE. UNCLASSIFIED

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- 4. CONCUR IN PROPOSED DATES OF NOVEMBER 2 -7.
- 5. UNDERSTOOD THAT RTDO BEIRUT HAD ALREADY PROVIDED NAMES OF FREIGHT FORWARDERS. HOWEVER, TWO SUCH FORWARDERS IN JIDDA ARE: COMMERCIAL BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENT, P.O. BOX 2262 AND EAST WEST EXPRESS, MEDINA ROAD.
- 6. RE PARA 5 E OF REFTEL, AS USDOC SHOULD BE AWARE, THERE ARE NO "MOST PROPRITIOUS TIMES" AVAILABLE AT THIS POST THESE DAYS. IN VIEW OF TIME ELEMENT RECOMMEND THAT TRDO MAKE ANY VISITS AS SOON AS NEED ARISES. AKINS

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